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Charleston, S. C.—First Presbyterian Church,
Friday, Oct. 22, 1909—8 p. m.

The Synod of South Carolina met according to adjournment and was opened with a sermon by the Moderator, Rev. Henry Alexander White, D. D., from Romans 1:15, 16; and 15:28. The discourse was in the line of the quadri-centennial of John Calvin's birth, being a historical discussion of the fruits of his work as developed in this country, and especially in South Carolina, of which the Synod is an outcome.

After the sermon the roll was called, and the following members were

PRESENT:

BETHEL PRESBYTERY.

Ministers.—Jas. Russell, W. A. Hafner, Chalmers Fraser, J. T. Dendy, W. B. Arrowood, C. G. Brown, H. J. Mills, S. C. Byrd, J. R. Millard, G. G. Mayes, E. E. Gillespie, S. J. Cartledge, J. M. Holladay, Alex. Martin (2), R. C. Morrison, F. A. Drennan—16.

Elders.—G. L. Suggs, Allison Creek Church; D. M. Dulin, Bethel; P. M. Burress, Bethesda; J. M. Hughes, Beth Shiloh; W. B. Riddle, Bowling Green; J. M. Boulware, Catholic; W. E. Adams, Clover; R. T. Gillespie, Ebenezer; J. A. Boyd, Fort Mill; R. T. Beaty, Lancaster; W. R. Aiken, Lebanon; W. A. Cunningham, Liberty Hill; W. E. Wilds, Longtown; W. J. W. Cornwell, Pleasant Grove; E. P. Moore, Purity; D. B. Johnson, Rock Hill First; H. D. Clark, Rocky Creek; T. B. Craig, Tirzah; H. A. Wherry, Uriel; D. R. Coleman, Salem; D. C. Smith, White Oak; H. W. Shannon, Woodlawn; J. G. Wardlaw, Yorkville; R. O. Atkinson, Zion—24.

CHARLESTON PRESBYTERY.

Ministers.—C. S. Vedder, G. A. Blackburn, J. L. McLees (2), S. M. Smith, Alexander Sprunt, H. A. White, S. C. Caldwell, J. K. G. Fraser, W. W. Sadler, T. D. Johnson, N. Keff Smith, P. S. McChesney—12.

Elders.—Robt. Powell, Aiken; C. H. Girardeau, Arsenal Hill; John Paul, Charleston First; A. T. Smythe, Charleston Second; L. T. Wilds, Columbia First; J. M. LaRoche (3), Edisto Island; F. P. Seabrook, James Island; Geo. W. Hills, Johns Island and Wadmalaw; R. V. Morrison, New Wappetaw; G. H. Cornclson, Orangeburg; C. G. Henderson, Walterboro; J. C. Scott, Westminster; H. B. Jenkins (2), Rockville—13.

ENOREE PRESBYTERY.

Ministers.—T. H. Law, W. P. Jacobs (2), S. P. Fulton, W. L. Boggs, J. S. Watkins (2), Robert Adams (2), B. P. Reid, A. G. Wardlaw, T. W. Sloan, J. L. McLin, J. P. Stevenson, R. E. Henderlite (2), D. W. Richardson, C. F. Rankin, C. B. Yeargan, J. E. Coker, F. W. Gregg—17.

Elders.—B. M. Anderson, Antioch; G. C. Young (2), Clinton First; H. B. Stewart (2), Fairview; H. L. Shaw (2), Fountain Inn; A. C. Smith, Glenn Springs; G. W. Taylor (2), Greenville First; W. L. Boyd, Laurens First; R. A. Austin (2), Liberty Springs; H. F. Moody, Mt. Tabor (G.); J. W. Reid, Nazareth; R. J. Stoddard, New Harmony; J. D. Mills (2), Old Fields; W. M. Stanhouse (2), Reedy River; J. O. Templeton, Rocky Springs; T. J. Estes, Salem; H. E. Ravenel, Spartanburg First; C. R. Gaillard (2), Spartanburg Second—17.

HARMONY PRESBYTERY.

Ministers.—Jas. McDowell, W. J. McKay, W. S. Porter, R. L. Grier, H. R. Murchison (2), E. E. Ervin, J. P. Marion (2), H. A. Knox, T. B. Trenholm, W. H. Workman, A. R. Woodson, A. C. Bridgman, W. H. McMeen—13.

Elders.—R. C. McElveen (2), Bethel; H. S. Cunningham, Bishopville; E. R. Plowden, Brewington; L. T. Mills, Camden; R. C. McFaddin (3), Concord; S. J. Montgomery (2), Corinth; J. C. Murphy (2), Georgetown; J. W. Montgomery, Hebron; P. D. Snowden, Indiantown; Geo. L. Dickson (2), Manning; J. M. Cooper, Mayesville; W. M. McKnight, Midway; R. M. Cooper, Mt. Zion; W. M. O'Bryan, Richmond; W. D. Rhodes, Salem (B. R.); T. B. Fraser, Sumter; T. E. Salters (2), Union; D. M. Ervin, Williamsburg—18.

PEE DEE PRESBYTERY.

Ministers.—J. G. Richards, A. H. McArn, D. M. Fulton, E. C. Bailey, T. E. Simpson, A. S. Doak (2), R. T. Gillespie, A. E. Spencer, J. J. Brown, F. D. Viehe—10.

Elders.—P. A. McKellar (2), Bennettsville; M. D. Morrison, Caro-

lina; T. F. Malloy, Cheraw; R. E. DuBose, Darlington; J. P. McNeill (2), Florence; M. J. McInnes (3), Lamar; J. D. McLucas (3), Marion; J. A. McLeod, Reedy Creek; John McSween, Timmons ville; Paul Quattlebaum, Kingston—10.

SOUTH CAROLINA PRESBYTERY.

Ministers.—W. S. Hamiter, R. G. McLees, Jno. G. Law, T. P. Burgess, J. E. James, M. R. Kirkpatrick, R. S. Latimer, J. B. Hillhouse, W. H. Mills (2), David Lander, J. B. Green, I. E. Wallace (2), M. E. Peabody, G. M. Wilcox—14.

Elders.—T. P. Quarles (2), Abbeville; W. T. W. Harrison, Anderson First; J. W. Thompson, Anderson Central; W. E. Pelham (3), Aveleigh; W. H. Hunter, Bethia; J. D. Shelton, Fairplay; S. S. McMahon, Good Hope; H. P. Sitton (2), Pendleton; J. F. Gibert, Providence; W. H. Hughes (4), Richland; A. T. McIlvaine, Upper Long Cane; C. E. Gray, Westminster—12.

Rev. T. W. Sloan, D. D., was elected Moderator, and Rev. A. C. Bridgman, Assistant Clerk.

Rev. Dr. Sprunt presented the following report, which was adopted:

The committee appointed at the last meeting of Synod to arrange for the John Calvin Quadri-Centennial Celebration at this Synod beg leave to report, submitting the following program for the consideration of Synod:

OCTOBER 23D.

8 p. m.—“John Calvin and Civil Institutions”—By Rev. Samuel M. Smith, D. D., of Columbia, S. C.

OCTOBER 24TH.

4 p. m.—“Calvin’s Message to the Modern World”—By Rev. James I. Vance, D. D., of Newark, N. J.

8 p. m.—“Some Doctrines of Calvinism”—By Rev. G. B. Strickler, D. D., of Richmond, Va.

Respectfully submitted by the committee,
ALEXANDER SPRUNT, Chairman.

The Synod, on recommendation of Dr. Sprunt, the pastor of this church, adopted the following as the hours of its daily sessions:

From 9:30 a. m. to 2 p. m.

From 8 p. m. to adjournment at will.

It was further resolved to take recess at 1 p. m. tomorrow that the members of Synod may accept an invitation to a steam-

boat excursion on the harbor which has been arranged for their pleasure.

Appointments for preaching on the Sabbath were read and received as information.

The Synod then adjourned, with prayer by the Moderator, until 9:30 a. m. tomorrow.

Second Day

Saturday, Oct. 23.—9:30 a. m.

The Synod was opened with devotional exercises conducted by Rev. C. F. Rankin.

The minutes of last night's session were read and approved.

The following additional members appeared and were enrolled:

MINISTERS.

J. L. McLees, W. P. Jacobs, Robt. Adams, H. R. Murchison, J. P. Marion, A. S. Doak, W. H. Mills, I. E. Wallace, J. S. Watkins.

ELDERS.

Charleston Presbytery—H. B. Jenkins, Rockville Church.

Enoree Presbytery—G. C. Young, Clinton First; H. B. Stewart, Fairview; H. L. Shaw, Fountain Inn; G. W. Taylor, Greenville First; R. A. Austin, Liberty Springs; J. D. Mills, Old Fields; W. M. Stenhouse, Reedy River; C. R. Gaillard, Spartanburg Second.

Harmony Presbytery—S. J. Montgomery, Corinth; J. C. Murphy, Georgetown; T. E. Salters, Inman; R. C. McElveen, Bethel; G. L. Dickson, Manning.

Pee Dee Presbytery—J. P. McNeill, Florence; P. A. McKellar, Bennettsville.

South Carolina Presbytery—T. P. Quarles, Abbeville; H. P. Sitton, Pendleton.

The Moderator announced the following

STANDING COMMITTEES.

I. *Devotional Exercises*—

Minister—Alexander Sprunt.

Elder—John Paul.

2. *Bills and Overtures*—

Ministers—H. A. White, E. E. Gillespie, F. W. Gregg.
Elders—R. M. Cooper, T. F. Malloy.

3. *Judicial Business*—

Ministers—S. M. Smith, W. B. Arrowood, J. G. Law.
Elders—T. B. Fraser, D. B. Johnson.

4. *Home Missions*—

Ministers—W. A. Hafner, D. M. Fulton, W. H. Workman.
Elders—H. F. Moody, J. F. Gibert.

5. *Narrative*—

Ministers—S. J. Cartledge, N. Keff Smith.
Elder—J. O. Templeton.

6. *Theological Seminary*—

Ministers—T. P. Burgess, J. P. Marion, R. T. Gillespie, Jr.
Elders—H. E. Ravenel, E. P. Moore.

7. *Finance*—

Elders—R. T. Beaty, G. W. Taylor, J. M. Cooper.

8. *Minutes of Assembly*—

Ministers—J. M. Holladay, T. E. Simpson, J. B. Green.
Elders—L. T. Mills, J. W. Reid.

9. *Leave of Absence*—

Ministers—M. R. Kirkpatrick, J. J. Brown, C. F. Rankin.
Elders—W. E. Wilds, Robt. Powell.

10. *Presbyterial Records*—

Bethel—W. W. Sadler and T. B. Craig.
Charleston—J. T. Dendy and R. J. Stoddard.
Enoree—E. E. Ervin and R. V. Morrison.
Harmony—W. H. Mills and D. R. Coleman.
Pee Dee—J. L. McLees and W. M. O'Bryan.
South Carolina—T. D. Johnston and P. D. Snowden.

Rev. H. H. Sweets, D. D., Synod of Kentucky; A. L. Phillips, D. D., and G. B. Strickler, D. D., Synod of Virginia; L. B. Tate, Synod of Missouri, and J. I. Vance, D. D., Reformed Church of America, were invited and welcomed as corresponding members; and Rev. S. A. Weber, D. D., Peter Stokes and V. C. Dibble, of the M. E. Church, South, and Rev. M. G. G. Sherer, D. D., Lutheran Church, as visiting brethren.

Communications were presented as follows:

From the Stated Clerk of the General Assembly, reporting that the complaint of Rev. W. H. Mills against the Synod had not been sustained by the last Assembly. Which was received as information.

From South Carolina Presbytery, an overture requesting Synod to divide said Presbytery, setting off the churches and ministers in Anderson, Oconee and Pickens counties into a new Presbytery. Which was referred to the Committee on Bills and Overtures.

From Enoree Presbytery, a resolution touching the organization of the Young Peoples' Societies connected with the several churches into a State organization. To the same committee.

From the Session of the First Church, Clinton, touching beneficiary students in the Presbyterian College of South Carolina. To the Permanent Committee on Schools and Colleges.

From Rev. H. C. DuBose, D. D., missionary in China, touching educational work in that mission. To the Permanent Committee on Foreign Missions.

The Stated Clerks of the Presbyteries presented their narratives and statistical reports, the former being referred to the Committee on the Narrative, and the latter appear in the Appendix.

Rev. Dr. Sprunt, Chairman, presented the report of the Permanent Committee on Foreign Missions, which was amended and approved, and its recommendations adopted. (Appendix.) In this connection, Mr. H. C. Ostrom, secretary of the Laymen's Missionary Movement, was heard touching this matter.

It was further made the order for 11 a. m. Monday to hear Secretary S. H. Chester, D. D., S. P. Fulton, D. D., of Japan, and Rev. L. B. Tate, of Korea, concerning foreign missions.

It was also made the next special order for Monday to hear the reports of the Executive and Standing Committees on Home Missions, and consider that subject.

Rev. H. R. Murchison, Chairman, presented the report of the Permanent Committee on Publications, Sabbath School Work, and Young Peoples' Societies, which was approved. (Appendix.) And it was made the third special order for Monday to hear Rev. Dr. Phillips, General Superintendent of Sabbath Schools and Young Peoples' Societies, and also Mr. J. M. Way, General Secretary of the South Carolina Inter-

denominational Sunday School Association, touching this work.

Rev. T. H. Law, D. D., Chairman, presented the report of the Permanent Committee on the Bible Cause, which was approved. (Appendix.)

Rev. S. C. Byrd, D. D., Chairman, presented the report of the Permanent Committee on Schools and Colleges, which was approved (Appendix.) And it was made the fourth special order for Monday to hear Secretary W. E. Boggs, D. D., and the representatives of Davidson, Chicora and the Presbyterian College of South Carolina touching this work.

South Carolina Presbytery, having adjourned to meet again at its spring session, and business requiring its attention having come up, this Presbytery was ordered to meet at the call of the Moderator to attend to the following matters:

1. To consider a call from the Upper Long Cane Church to the Rev. R. E. Telford.

2. To grant a certificate of dismissal to Rev. R. G. McLees.

3. To reconsider the action of the Presbytery at its recent meeting in reference to the missionary appropriation to the Morris Church.

The Treasurer's report was presented and referred to the Committee on Finance, together with his account book and vouchers.

The report of the Board of Directors of the Theological Seminary was read and referred to the committee on the same.

As the closing exercise of the morning's session, a memorial of the late Rev. John Lowrie Wilson, D. D., prepared by a committee consisting of Rev. F. W. Gregg and Elder J. Allen Smith, was presented and adopted by a rising vote. After prayer by Rev. Dr. W. P. Jacobs, Synod took recess until 8 p. m.

EVENING SESSION.

8 p. m.

The Synod met, and after devotional exercises, heard an address from the Rev. Dr. S. M. Smith on Calvin and Civil Institutions. Announcement was made that the other addresses

on John Calvin, as provided in the report of the committee, would be delivered tomorrow, and the Synod adjourned until 9:30 a. m. Monday, with prayer by Rev. R. G. McLees.

Third Day

Monday, Oct. 25—9:30 a. m.

The Synod was opened with devotional exercises conducted by Rev. F. W. Gregg.

The minutes of Saturday were read and approved.

The following additional members appeared and were enrolled: R. C. McFaddin, Concord Church, Harmony Presbytery; M. J. McInnes, Lamar, and J. D. McLucas, Marion, Pee Dee Presbytery; and W. E. Pelham, Aveleigh, South Carolina Presbytery.

The report of the Permanent Committee on Ministerial Education and Relief was presented, and pending its consideration Secretary H. H. Sweets was heard concerning this cause. The report was approved and its recommendations were adopted. (Appendix.)

Rev. Drs. J. G. Snedecor, Synod of Alabama, W. E. Boggs, Synod of Florida, and S. H. Chester, Synod of Tennessee, were welcomed as corresponding members.

Mr. P. H. Gadsden, president of the Charleston Consolidated Railway Company, kindly extended to the members of Synod an invitation to a free trip over his line to the government navy yard tomorrow morning. The generous offer was accepted with thanks, and it was arranged to start at 9 a. m. and return at 12 m. Accordingly, the Synod resolved to begin its sessions tomorrow at 12 o'clock.

Rev. Dr. Snedecor, Assembly's Secretary of Colored Evangelization, was heard in regard to this cause.

The first order of the day was called, and Rev. Dr. Chester, Assembly's Secretary of Foreign Missions, Rev. L. B. Tate, missionary from Korea, and Rev. Dr. S. P. Fulton, missionary from Japan, addressed Synod on Foreign Missions.

It was made the fifth order of the day to consider Colored Evangelization.

The second order of the day was next called, and Rev. G. G. Mayes, Chairman, presented the report of the Executive Committee of Synodical Missions, which was referred to the standing committee on the same. Rev. R. G. McLees was heard on Evangelism, Rev. H. R. Murchison touching the Georgetown Mission, Rev. S. C. Caldwell touching the work among the cotton mill population in the Horse Creek Valley, and Rev. G. G. Mayes and Mr. John McSween touching the general interests of the Synodical Home Mission work.

An overture from Salem Church, Enoree Presbytery, asking that Synod transfer it to Bethel Presbytery, was presented and referred to the Committee on Bills and Overtures.

The Synod had recess until 8 p. m.

EVENING SESSION.

8 p. m.

The Synod met and was opened with prayer by Mr. T. B. Fraser.

The third order of the day was taken up, and Rev. Dr. A. L. Phillips, General Superintendent of Sabbath School Work and Young Peoples' Societies, was heard touching Publication, Sabbath Schools and Young Peoples' Societies; and Mr. J. M. Way, General Secretary of the South Carolina Interdenominational Sunday School Association, touching the Sabbath School work in general.

The consideration of Home Missions was, on motion, resumed, and the report of the standing committee was presented and adopted, as follows:

The standing committee of Home Missions would report that we have examined the report of the Executive Committee of Home Missions, and find nothing therein calling for the special attention of the Synod except the recommendation of the committee hereafter mentioned.

We note with pleasure that the gifts of our people to the cause of Synodical Home Missions, for the year just ending, show a gain of forty per cent. over those of the previous year.

We recommend—

1. That Synod express its appreciation of the work of the Executive

Committee during the past year, and especially the self-denying efforts of the chairman in the midst of his pastoral duties.

2. That in parting with the Rev. R. G. McLees, this Synod places on record its sincere appreciation of his faithful, efficient and self-sacrificing work throughout its bounds as evangelist, and would assure him of its best wishes for a happy and prosperous work as pastor of the field which he expects to enter.

3. That the recommendation of the Executive Committee relative to the election of a superintendent and general evangelist be adopted.

W. A. HAFNER, Chairman.

Rev. G. G. Mayes was elected General Superintendent of Local Home Missions, with a salary of \$1,500 per annum and necessary traveling expenses. And Rev. Geo. F. Robertson, of Mecklenburg Presbytery, N. C., was elected General Evangelist, his salary to be fixed by the committee. The election of a General Treasurer *pro tem.* was left to the Executive Committee.

The Stated Clerk of Enoree Presbytery reported the consent of that body to the transfer of Salem Church to Bethel Presbytery, which paper was referred to the Committee on Bills and Overtures, which has in hand the overture of the church.

Elder J. M. LaRoche, Edisto Island Church, appeared and was enrolled.

The fourth order of the day was taken up, and Rev. Dr. W. E. Boggs, Assembly's Secretary of Schools and Colleges, was heard on that cause.

The Synod then adjourned, with prayer by the Rev. W. B. Arowood, until 12 m. tomorrow.

Fourth Day

Tuesday, Oct. 26—12 m.

The Synod was opened with devotional exercises conducted by Rev. A. G. Wardlaw, D. D.

The minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

The Committee on Finance presented the following report, which was adopted:

The Committee on Finance begs leave to report that the report of

the Treasurer has been examined, together with his book and vouchers, and found correct.

The Treasurer's report shows that the present Presbyterial assessments are more than sufficient to meet our contingent expenses. We therefore recommend that the assessments be reduced, so that they will be as follows:

Bethel	\$75 00
Charleston	45 00
Enoree	60 00
Harmony	35 00
Pee Dee	25 00
South Carolina	60 00

Respectfully submitted,

R. T. BEATY, Chairman.

The Committee on Bills and Overtures made its report, which was adopted, as follows:

Your Committee on Bills and Overtures begs leave to report that the following papers have been referred to this committee:

An overture from the congregation of Salem Church asking the Synod to transfer the said church from the Presbytery of Enoree to the Presbytery of Bethel;

A communication from the Presbytery of Enoree, signed by the Stated Clerk of the Presbytery, giving consent to the request of Salem Church to be transferred to the Presbytery of Bethel.

An overture, signed by three members of the Presbytery of Bethel, asking Synod "to interpret our Church law touching ordination, to wit: can a Presbytery ordain a man as an extraordinary case to the gospel ministry without licensing him?"

A communication from the Presbytery of Enoree reporting the fact that the said Presbytery "approves the organization and constitution of the Westminster Federation of Young Peoples' Societies in the Presbyterian Church in South Carolina as adopted at the organization of the young people held in the Second Church, Greenville, S. C., July 10, 1909."

A communication from South Carolina Presbytery, signed by the Stated Clerk, announcing the fact that "on Wednesday, April 14, 1909, at Easley, S. C., in regular session, South Carolina Presbytery voted to set apart Oconee, Pickens and Anderson counties into a new Presbytery, and, on motion, Synod was requested so to do."

Your committee makes the following recommendations:

(1) That, in response to the overtures made by Salem Church and the Presbytery of Enoree, Salem Church be transferred by the Synod from the Presbytery of Enoree to the Presbytery of Bethel.

(2) That the question presented in the overtures sent up by three

members of the Presbytery of Bethel be answered in the negative, for the reason that, in our opinion, our Church law requires the Presbytery to license every candidate before ordaining him to the gospel ministry.

(3) That Synod cordially endorse the action of the Presbytery of Enoree in the matter of the Presbytery's approval of the Westminster Federation of Young People's Societies as organized at Greenville, July 10, 1909.

(4) That Synod approve the action of the South Carolina Presbytery in the matter of the division of that Presbytery, and that Synod order the setting apart of the congregations and ministers of South Carolina Presbytery, located in Oconee, Pickens and Anderson counties, South Carolina, as a separate Presbytery of the Synod of South Carolina.

(5) That the Synod order the Presbyterian ministers who are now living in the counties of Oconee, Pickens and Anderson, members of the Presbytery of South Carolina, together with elders appointed by the Presbyterian congregations in the same counties, to meet in the Presbyterian Church at Seneca, S. C., on the 9th day of November, 1909, at 7:30 p. m., and that Rev. John G. Law, D. D., be appointed to preach a sermon and, acting as Moderator, at the same time and place, to organize the new Presbytery.

HENRY ALEXANDER WHITE,
Chairman.

The Committee on the Records of Bethel, Charleston, Enoree, Harmony, Pee Dee and South Carolina Presbyteries reported, recommending their approval. Adopted.

The Committee on Judicial Business reported that nothing had come into its hands, and was discharged.

Rev. Homer McMillan, Synod of Georgia, was welcomed as a corresponding member; and Rev. W. I. Herbert, W. B. Duncan, D. D., M. E. Church, South, and G. S. Butler, of the Circular Congregational Church, as visiting brethren.

Rev. Dr. S. M. Smith, Chairman, presented the report of the Permanent Committee on Colored Evangelization, which was approved. (Appendix.)

Rev. Homer McMillan, Secretary Home Missions, was, on motion, heard briefly touching the Assembly's Home Missions.

It was made the first special order for this afternoon to hear for a few minutes Elder C. R. Gaillard, President of the

Westminster Federation of Young People's Societies, touching this matter.

The Committee on the Theological Seminary made a report, which was docketed.

The Committee on the Minutes of the Assembly made a report, which was adopted, as follows :

Your Committee on the Minutes of the General Assembly respectfully submits the following report :

1. There is no matter calling for any action by the Synod.

2. The following items are given for information :

(a) The complaint of the Rev. Wm. H. Mills was not sustained. (P. 66.)

(b) Copies of the sermon of the retiring Moderator, Rev. W. W. Moore, D. D., on family religion, can be gotten from the Committee of Publication in Richmond, Va., and a perusal of this little tract will well repay any one.

(c) A copy of the volume containing the addresses of the speakers taking part in the celebration of the four hundredth anniversary of John Calvin's birth can be gotten from this same committee.

J. M. HOLLADAY, Chairman.

The Synod, having heard of the serious illness of Rev. A. A. James, the following resolution was adopted by a rising vote, and Synod was led in special prayer by the venerable J. G. Richards, D. D. :

Resolved, That Synod has heard with heartfelt regret of the illness of Rev. A. A. James, its oldest member, and for over a half century a regular attendant upon its sessions, who has been for more than fifty-eight years the beloved and devoted pastor of Fairforest Church, and extends to him the sincere and tender sympathy of his brethren in his present condition; and we pray that the gracious Lord may sustain him in his illness and further spare his useful life.

The committee reported and Synod adopted the following

NARRATIVE :

The Presbyterian Narratives set forth the following facts :

1. With very few exceptions, the attendance upon the services of the sanctuary is good.

2. While family worship is still much neglected, there seems to be some improvement over previous years.

3. The Sabbath is fairly well observed, according to the present day conception of Sabbath observance.

4. In the matter of the training of the young people in the Scriptures and the Catechisms, the reports are more encouraging than formerly, though in many cases this vital work is still neglected by the home, where the responsibility primarily rests, and delegated to the Sunday School.

5. All the reports indicate that our people are growing in the grace of giving, though in a few cases churches have fallen short of previous records.

6. Four out of six of the Narratives show that a very few churches have not fully met their engagements; but with these exceptions, pastors' salaries are fully and promptly paid.

7. A few of the churches report special evidences of the presence and power of the Holy Spirit, but in most cases, while the churches are in a healthy spiritual condition, they have had no special seasons of refreshing from on high.

8. All the reports indicate that worldly conformity, while existing to some extent in many churches, does not generally prevail.

9. A few of the churches report evangelistic work outside of their own bounds. In one Presbytery two churches, in another four, and in another eight, so report. In another Presbytery no such work is reported by any of the churches. In the two remaining Presbyteries, while definite information is not given, the general statement is made that many of the churches maintain Sunday Schools and preaching points at the cotton mills and elsewhere.

10. Not many of the churches have made any special effort to secure recruits for the gospel ministry; though in many cases pastors have preached special sermons on the subject.

Believing that this is an accurate summing up of the conditions set forth in the Presbyterian Narratives, we respectfully submit it as our report.

S. J. CARTLEDGE, Chairman.

It was resolved that a special assessment be made at once upon the Presbyteries pro rata, sufficient to pay the expenses of the speakers invited to take part in the Calvin celebration.

Synod had recess until 4 o'clock.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

4 p. m.

The Synod met and heard the report of the Board of Trustees of the Thornwell Orphanage, which was received as information and ordered to be printed in the Appendix.

Rev. Dr. Robt. Adams, President of the Presbyterian College of South Carolina, was heard touching that institution; Rev.

Dr. T. W. Sloan, touching Chicora College, and Dr. H. L. Smith, President, touching Davidson College.

Synod had recess until 8 p. m.

EVENING SESSION.

8 p. m.

The Synod was opened with prayer. The following was adopted:

Resolved, That this Synod has heard with pleasure the address of Mr. J. M. Way on the International Sunday School Association's work, that we do hereby express our approval of the same, and recommend this work to our people as worthy of their hearty co-operation.

The report of the Committee on the Theological Seminary was taken from the docket and adopted, as follows:

The Committee on the Theological Seminary would respectfully report that the minutes of the board of directors for the year ending May 12th, 1909, have been carefully examined. We find the minutes neatly and correctly kept. That the report of the board shows abundant evidence of increased life and healthy activity; that the seminary is now attracting a much larger per cent. of the candidates from our own territory; that the *esprit de corps* amongst students is excellent, and is proving most helpful in the upbuilding of our seminary.

We note with pleasure that the finances of the institution are in a sound condition, the funds well invested, that from the income all current expenses have been paid, and that there is a balance in the hands of the treasurer.

It is pleasing to note and commend the love and loyalty of the students on the campus, in their desire to advance the interest of the seminary by aiding in securing students and also in their efforts to beautify and improve the campus and surroundings.

We would call to the attention of Synod that in accordance with Synod's action taken last fall, Rev. W. E. McIlwain, D. D., has been secured by the board as financial agent for the seminary.

We would recommend—

1. That Dr. McIlwain be cordially and affectionately commended to the confidence and liberality of all friends of the seminary, with the earnest request that they co-operate with him in the work to which he has been called.

2. That the Rev. J. G. Richards, D. D., and Mr. J. Allen Smith, whose terms as directors expire with this meeting, be re-elected for a term of three years.

3. The committee has been delighted, by official communication, that

at a called meeting of the directors of the seminary, Dr. A. M. Fraser, of Staunton, Va., was unanimously elected President and Professor of Pastoral Theology and Sacred Rhetoric, but we regret to note that this election was technically defective, because not in accord with Sec. 2, Art. V, of the Constitution, the necessary two-thirds of the directors not having been present when the action was taken. We therefore recommend that the board take steps to make the election legal, and also that Synod urge Dr. Fraser to accept, inasmuch as we regard his acceptance as of the highest importance to the seminary.

4. In order to secure, if practicable, uniformity of action upon this important matter, and in the hope of securing to the seminary the valuable services of Dr. Fraser, we recommend that the secretary of the board of directors be instructed to transmit to the Associated Synods a copy of the action of this Synod, with reference to this election, with the suggestion that each of them will, if it seem good to them, take the same or similar action.

Respectfully submitted,

T. P. BURGESS, Chairman.

Rev. J. P. Hall, Synod of North Carolina, was welcomed as a corresponding member.

Elder C. R. Gaillard, President of the Westminster Federation of Young People's Societies in South Carolina, was heard touching this work.

The report of the Committee on Leave of Absence was approved, as follows:

The Committee on Leave of Absence reports that it has excused for tardiness P. A. McKellar, J. L. McLees, R. Adams, R. A. Austin, J. D. McLucas, H. L. Shaw, R. C. McFaddin, W. E. Pelham, J. P. Marion, W. H. Hughes.

Excused for absence W. H. Frazer.

It has granted leave of absence from the present meetings after Monday morning T. B. Craig, R. T. Gillespie, Sr., A. H. Wherry, W. M. O'Bryan, C. G. Henderson, D. M. Ervin, F. P. Seabrook, T. E. Salters, J. M. Cooper, C. E. Gray.

After Saturday, B. M. Burriss, Geo. A. Blackburn, D. W. Richardson, J. B. Green.

After Monday night, R. G. McLees, J. L. McLees, B. P. Reid, H. L. Shaw, John McSween, T. B. Fraser, H. B. Stewart, R. J. Stoddard, John Sheldon, H. E. Ravenel, E. E. Gillespie, M. R. Kirkpatrick.

The Synod, at the request of the members of South Carolina Presbytery, ordered said Presbytery to meet in Greenwood

Church, November 9, 7:30 p. m., to transact such business as may arise from the division of the Presbytery.

Rev. J. P. Hall was heard touching the Plum Tree Mission, in the mountains of North Carolina, which he conducts under the auspices of the North Carolina Synod.

The following resolution was adopted by a rising vote:

The Synod of South Carolina, by a rising vote, hereby expresses its hearty thanks for courtesies extended to this body by the following parties: Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph company; Walker, Evans & Cogswell Company; Messrs. Cowperthwait & Co., the railroads of the State for reduced fares; the daily press of the city for full reports of the daily proceedings of the Synod; Commander J. H. Hetherington, United States navy, retired, light house inspector, for the most delightful excursion around Charleston harbor; Mr. P. H. Gadsden, president of the Charleston Consolidated Railroad and Electric Light company, for giving us the opportunity of seeing the great Navy Yards and ships; the speakers taking part in the Calvin celebration; the churches of our sister denominations, who opened their pulpits to us for Sabbath services; the members of the First Presbyterian, the Second Presbyterian and Westminster Presbyterian Churches and of other denominations, for cordial, abundant and delightful hospitality enjoyed by us, and the Rev. Alexander Sprunt, D. D., for untiring efforts to promote our comfort and pleasure. The pastor of the First Presbyterian Church is requested to read this resolution from his pulpit next Sabbath morning, and to further request the city press to publish it in their columns.

The following supplemental report of the Committee on Schools and College was adopted:

1. The committee asks to have incorporated in the report and printed in the Minutes the list of contributing churches and societies, together with the amounts as submitted by Dr. Adams.

2. That in the matter of the paper from Clinton Church in reference to reimbursing the college at Clinton the free tuition granted students for the ministry and boys of the orphanage, referred to this committee, we commend the Clinton Church for her action, and recommend the plan to the other churches of the Synod.

Aveleigh Church, of Newberry, was selected as the place of the next meeting, and Tuesday, October 18, 8 p. m., as the time.

The following was adopted:

Resolved, That the Synod has heard with pleasure, Dr. Boggs, the Assembly's Secretary of Schools and Colleges, and Dr. Adams, in the interest of Clinton College, Dr. Sloan in the interest of Chicora, and Dr. Smith of Davidson, and that the Synod assure these gentlemen of our loyalty and co-operation, and that we commend all these institutions under our care to the prayers, patronage and purses of our people.

The minutes of today's session were read and approved.

The Synod then adjourned, with singing, prayer and the apostolic benediction, to meet in Aveleigh Church, Newberry, Tuesday, 8 p. m., October 18th, 1910.

THOS. H. LAW, Stated Clerk.

T. W. SLOAN,
Moderator.

APPENDIX

I. Statistical Reports of Presbyteries

Bethel Presbytery respectfully reports to Synod that it is composed of 58 churches, 30 ministers, and has under its care eight candidates for the ministry.

Since the last meeting of Synod it has dissolved the pastoral relation existing between Rev. A. H. Atkins and Zion and Uriel churches and dismissed him to South Carolina Presbytery. It has dissolved the pastoral relations existing between Rev. J. K. Hall and Bethesda Church and dismissed him to King's Mountain Presbytery. It has dismissed Rev. J. K. Coit to Athens Presbytery.

It has received Rev. R. C. Morrison from King's Mountain Presbytery and installed him pastor of Kershaw and Beaver Creek Churches. It has received Rev. F. A. Drennan from Charleston Presbytery, and installed him pastor of Zion and Uriel Churches. It has received Rev. S. R. Hope, from Enoree Presbytery, and arranged to install him pastor of Richburg, Cedar Shoals and Fort Lawn Churches. It has received Licentiate L. B. McCord, from South Carolina Presbytery, ordained him, and arranged to install him pastor of Heath Springs, Liberty Hill and Douglas Churches. It has installed Rev. W. J. Wyly pastor of Bowling Green, Allison Creek and Beth Shiloh Churches.

W. A. HAFNER,
Stated Clerk.

Charleston Presbytery would respectfully report to the Synod that it consists of 16 ministers and 32 churches, and has under its care one licentiate and seven candidates for the Gospel ministry.

It has received Rev. N. Keff Smith, D. D., from Savannah Presbytery, and Rev. Paul F. Brown, from Suwanee Presbytery.

It has received Mr. Palmer Chalmers, of the First Church, Columbia, and Mr. E. Allen Fripp, of the Second Church, Charleston, as candidates for the ministry.

It has dissolved the pastoral relation between Rev. F. A. Drennan and the Walterboro and Corinth Churches, and dismissed Rev. F. A. Drennan to Bethel Presbytery.

It has dissolved the pastoral relation between Rev. D. M. McIver and Westminster Church, and dismissed Rev. D. M. McIver to Ouachita Presbytery.

It has dismissed Candidate Robert Grant to Concord Presbytery.

It has installed Rev. T. D. Johnston pastor of the Aiken Church,

and dissolved the relation between Rev. T. D. Johnson and the Summerville Church.

It has organized the church of Rockville.

ALEXANDER SPRUNT, Stated Clerk.

Enoree Presbytery respectfully reports to the Synod that it consists of 32 ministers and 58 churches, and has under its care two licentiates and three unlicensed candidates for the ministry.

It has received the Rev. J. J. Harrell and Rev. F. W. Cregg, from South Carolina Presbytery; also, as candidates for the ministry, G. M. Hollingsworth and C. E. Wildman, from the care of Atlanta Presbytery, and C. B. Yeargan from the care of East Alabama Presbytery.

It has licensed and ordained G. M. Hollingsworth and C. B. Yeargan; has ordained Licentiate J. E. Coker, and has licensed C. E. Wildman.

It has organized the Thornwell Memorial Church at Clinton. It has dissolved the pastoral relation between the Rev. B. P. Reid and Mt. Calvary Church, and that between the Rev. Lowry Davis and Palmer Church.

It has installed as pastor of Antioch and Nazareth Churches the Rev. B. P. Reid; of Woodruff, Center Point, Old Fields and Mountain Shoals Churches, the Rev. J. J. Harrell; of Liberty Springs, Mountville and Lisbon Churches, the Rev. G. M. Hollingsworth; of Wellford and Mt. Calvary Churches, the Rev. C. B. Yeargan; of Lockhart and Mt. Tabor (U) Churches, the Rev. J. E. Coker; of Limestone Church, the Rev. F. W. Gregg; of Thornwell Memorial Church, the Rev. Dr. W. P. Jacobs, in connection with his continued pastorate of the First Church of Clinton.

It has dismissed the Rev. S. R. Hope to Bethel Presbytery; Rev. Lowry Davis to East Hanover Presbytery; Rev. G. R. Rachford to Durant Presbytery.

ROBERT ADAMS,
Stated Clerk.

Harmony Presbytery respectfully reports to the Synod of South Carolina that it consists of fifteen ministers and thirty-four churches, and has under its care four candidates for the ministry.

It has dissolved the pastoral relation between Rev. W. H. McMeen and the Mt. Zion Church, and dismissed him to the Presbytery of Macon.

It has received under its care Mr. Henry Dickson Corbett, a member of the Mayesville Church, as a candidate for the ministry.

W. S. PORTER, Stated Clerk.

Pee Dee Presbytery respectfully reports to Synod that it consists of 13 ministers and 29 churches and has under its care two candidates for the ministry.

It has received Rev. F. D. Viehe from the Presbytery of Albemarle and installed him pastor of the Bennettsville Church.

It has installed Rev. A. G. Buckner, D. D., pastor of the Dillon Church. It has dissolved the pastoral relation between Rev. A. G. Buckner, D. D., and the Beulah Church.

It has dissolved the pastoral relation between Rev. J. A. Wilson and the Dillon Church. The pastoral relation between Rev. J. G. Richards and the Churches of Blenheim and Reedy Creek has been dissolved, the dissolution to take effect January 1, 1910.

It has dismissed Rev. J. A. Wilson to the Presbytery of Orange. It has dropped from its roll Rev. C. P. Parker.

A. H. McARN, Stated Clerk.

South Carolina Presbytery respectfully reports to Synod that it consists of 66 churches, 31 ministers, one licentiate and three candidates for the ministry.

It has received Rev. I. E. Wallace and Rev. A. H. Atkins, from Bethel Presbytery; Rev. Bunyan McLeod, from Pee Dee Presbytery; Rev. M. E. Peabody and Mr. George M. Wilcox, a candidate for the ministry, from Athens Presbytery.

It has dissolved Dean's Church. It has dissolved the pastoral relation between Rev. H. C. Fennel and Rocky River Church; between Rev. F. W. Gregg and Upper Long Cane Church; between Rev. J. J. Harrell and Westminster, Retreat and Fair Play Churches; and between Rev. S. L. Wilson and Ninety-Six and Coronaca Churches.

It has installed Rev. I. E. Wallace pastor of Pelzer Church; Rev. Bunyan McLeod pastor of Central Church, Anderson; Rev. A. H. Atkins pastor of Pendleton Church; Rev. M. E. Peabody pastor of Westminster, Fair Play and Retreat Churches; and has licensed and ordained Candidate George M. Wilcox, and installed him pastor of Walhalla, Richland and Bethel Churches. Rev. H. C. Fennel has been installed pastor of Little Mountain Church. It has licensed Candidate L. B. McCord as a probationer for the ministry.

It has dismissed Rev. J. J. Harrell and Rev. F. W. Gregg to Enoree Presbytery, Rev. S. L. Wilson to St. John's Presbytery, and Licentiate L. B. McCord to Bethel Presbytery. It has organized Memorial Church at Ware Shoals.

It has lost by death Rev. J. Lowrie Wilson, D. D.

T. P. BURGESS, Stated Clerk.

II. Treasurer's Report

Thos. H. Law, Treasurer, in Account with the Synod of South Carolina.

I. CONTINGENT FUND.

Dr.

To assessment Bethel Presbytery	\$ 78 00
To assessment Charleston Presbytery.. . . .	48 00
To assessment Enoree Presbytery	63 00
To assessment Harmony Presbytery	37 00
To assessment Pee Dee Presbytery	27 00
To assessment South Carolina Presbytery	63 00

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By balance due Treasurer, last report	\$ 14 40	
By printing and distributing Minutes	147 86	
By statistical tables for 1909	12 50	
By book for postmistress, 1907, by order of Synod...	1 25	
By balance in hands of Treasurer	39 99	
By salary Stated Clerk and Treasurer.. . . .	100 00	
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	\$316 00	\$316 00

II. TOWNSEND FUND.

Dr.

To balance on hand at close of year	\$ 71 41
To interest on investment	210 00

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By remitted to Dr. McPheeters for Student Clarke ..	\$ 70 00
By remitted ot Dr. Adams for Students P. C. S. C...	70 00
By balance in hand at close of year	141 41

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Respectfully submitted,
THOS. H. LAW, Treasurer.

III. Report on Foreign Missions

The committee has little information to lay before the Synod, other than that which has appeared in the public prints. We beg the privilege of calling your attention to some of the statements which may have escaped the notice of the brethren. We note with peculiar pleasure and devout thankfulness the information which comes from all our fields of the unprecedented blessing of God upon our work. The reports from our foreign fields to the Assembly's Executive Committee were not complete when the committee rendered their last annual report to the Assembly; but the gratifying statement was made that from those reporting, 2,009 were added to the roll of communi-

cants last year. When we remember the earnest toil and weary waiting of some of our brethren years ago on the foreign field for *one* convert to the faith, we have much herein for which we should render devout thanksgiving, and we should give heed to the Prophet's call, "Arise, shine, for thy light is come; and the glory of the Lord is risen upon thee." A manifest change of attitude on the part of the people toward our missionaries in all our fields has been noted, and this, too, inspires us with hope as to the future and the fulfillment of God's gracious promises touch the evangelization of men.

As an incentive to some of our home Churches, it may be noted that our Church at Cardenas, Cuba, has entered the forward movement, subscribing for one \$50 share of the work in Africa. Two brilliant young men from that Church, one of whom was valedictorian of his class at Westminster College, returned this summer to take up the work of preaching the Gospel at home. Some of us had the great privilege of hearing at Montreat this past season an eminent physician, lately ordained to the Eldership in the Church at Placetas, tell of his coming to the light of the Gospel through the instrumentality of our missionaries.

Mr. Myers, of Japan, writes that "every missionary in active evangelistic work can testify that there is less prejudice, less opposition, and more openness to the Gospel today than ever before in the history of the country." Inspiring news continues to come to us from Korea and China of a great spiritual awakening; and a revival of pure religion amongst those who have been acknowledged as Christians for some while past. One fruit of this revival has been an enthusiastic evangelistic fervor in the native Church, and another has been the opening of the hearts of the people to the Gospel message. Mr. McCutchen reports that since his return to Korea in January, he has examined over 1,400 applicants, of whom 273 were admitted to Baptism, and 600 were enrolled as Catechumens. Mr. Grier writes from Hsuehufu, China, "As it appears to us, there has never been a time here when the prospects were so encouraging. At our recent communion 90 applicants were examined, of whom twenty-two were baptized. At our morning service our Church, seating 350, is crowded, and as many more are gathered in the yard to an overflow service."

The committee reported to the Assembly that twenty-nine missionaries were sent out last year to begin their service in the foreign field, making the whole number 280. In the forward movement there are now 963 Churches, and six months ago there were thirty-eight Churches on the \$4.00 per member roll, and these Churches were of every grade, some of them being Churches of wealth and others far otherwise. The receipts last year were \$412,156.63, which was an increase over the year previous by \$88,277.99. It is gratifying to note that this increase was not at a cost of the falling off in the

receipts for the other causes, and we are specially grateful to note that with the growing increase of interest and contributions in behalf of world evangelization, the number of young men offering for the ministry is increasing rapidly, one Presbytery in North Carolina receiving twelve in the past six months.

We are told by Mr. J. Campbell White, of the Laymen's Missionary movement, that the increase of native converts last year was 164,674, or over 450 per day. He says it took about 100 years to gain the first million converts, or until 1896. The second million was added in twelve years (1896-1908.) They are now being added at the rate of a million in six years. The Church membership in the United States increased one and one-half per cent. last year; the increase of American missions abroad was 12 per cent. While there was an average of two members for each Protestant minister added to the local Church membership in the United States, there was an average of forty-one for each ordained American minister abroad.

We earnestly recommend that Synod heartily endorse the appointment of the Laymen's Missionary Movement for a series of conventions throughout the States of the Union, for the quickening and deepening of the missionary spirit throughout our land, and the hastening of the spreading of the Gospel throughout the world and the coming of the King.

That our ministers and members be urged to give their presence, sympathy and aid as far as possible to insure the success of the convention so soon to be held in Columbia, S. C.

We further recommend—

That Synod heartily approves of the movement inaugurated by Harmony Presbytery and endorsed by the General Assembly, to raise a memorial fund in honor of Dr. John Leighton Wilson; said fund to be devoted to the erection of the much-needed school for the training of native workers at Luebo, Africa. The Synod earnestly commends this movement to all our people.

IV. Report of the Executive Committee on Home Missions

The committee would report on the work under its control and also on that under the control of the Presbyterial Committees.

WORK UNDER DIRECT CONTROL.

The Horry County Field.—The three Churches and the one Mission in this field has had regular preaching during the past year. The Kingston Church, at Conway, has had a series of evangelistic meetings that have resulted in great good to the community and two additions to the Church. A Sabbath School with an enrollment of sixty pupils has been kept up. The Church building has been recovered,

the interior repainted and electric lights installed. The debt on the manse has been reduced and a fund subscribed with which to reduce it still further. The Church has lost several members by removal. The Waccamaw Church has had two services a month. Three members have been added by examination and two infants baptized. The Mission connected with this Church is not encouraging at this time, owing to the fire that destroyed the nearby lumber mill and the consequent removal of many of the people. The Bayboro Church, never strong, has been reduced by removals to eight members. It has but the one service a month. Recently a Sabbath School of some 25 members has been organized which promises good results.

Georgetown.—The conditions here are not what we would like to see them. They have sold the manse, and yet the debt on the Church is more than four thousand dollars. They have been without stated preaching for a great part of the year. Mr. J. E. Wallace, a recent graduate of Columbia Seminary, has been supplying the pulpit since the first of June last, but declines to do so longer. It is our hope soon to have a man in the field.

Clemson College. The resident pastor here reports that he preaches twice each Sabbath, either to the college students, the Fort Hill Church, at nearby mission points or to the convicts which are being worked on the college farm. He teaches a Bible and also a mission study class composed of college students. He is free to visit the students in their rooms and to have them with him at his home. There are one hundred and seven Presbyterian boys in college this year. Of these, seventy-four are members of the Church and thirty-three are not.

The Mission Schol at Sunset. This, our pioneer school in the mountains, is growing in favor with the people and we trust in usefulness. The enrollment for the past year reached some thirty-two in number, including two boarding pupils. The trustees of the public fund have asked us to make it the school of the district, promising us all the public funds, the right to select the teacher or teachers and the absolute control of the school. To this we have agreed.

The Horse Creek Valley. Work among the many cotton mill operatives in this region has been resumed. We have met with much encouragement from some in authority and are planning greater things. At present we have but the one worker, a consecrated Christian woman, who has been visiting from house to house and teaching a night school, and one trained nurse. It is our purpose to place here two visitors and teachers and also two trained nurses as soon as they can be secured. The mill authorities have furnished a house to all and pay the salaries of the nurses.

The General Evangelist. Rev. R. G. McLees has held twenty-four protracted meetings, each one being of seven or eight days' duration,

and has preached three hundred and twenty-two times. During these meetings there were added to the Presbyterian Church upon profession of faith about one hundred and seventy and by letter about thirty and there was contributed to Home Missions about \$850.00. Nearly all of the meetings were held in very weak Churches, some of them not having more than twelve or fifteen members.

Work under the direction of Presbyterial committees:

BETHEL.

Ten evangelistic meetings were held in the smaller Churches and mission points. Two encouraging missions to the cotton mill operatives have been conducted. The one by the Rock Hill Church, in which some thirteen hundred dollars were expended. The other by Purity Church, Chester, in which some seven hundred dollars were expended, resulting in an organized Church of thirty-eight members. Ten Churches are aided in securing the preached word, the combined membership of which is four hundred and sixty-nine. The committee expended eight hundred and twenty-four dollars, which added to the above mentioned makes the sum of two thousand and eight hundred and twenty-four dollars expended by the Presbytery.

CHARLESTON.

All the pulpits have been supplied the greater part of the year. Two new Churches have been completed and three are in course of erection. Two manses have been built. The Ladies' Missionary Union undertook the furnishing of the home given for our mission worker at Graniteville. Charleston, First; Charleston, Second; Columbia, First, and Aiken Church societies each furnished one room. Smaller societies united to furnish others. The home comprises two houses of four rooms each and as now furnished is an object lesson in simpleness, beauty and economy. This has been done at a cost of \$400.00. The general work of the Presbytery has been done at the expenditure of \$1,056.41.

ENOREE.

Two Missions to the cotton mill operatives were started. The one already resulting in a promising organization. One old Church, which has been without service for seven years, has been revived. Two Churches have been aided in securing the preached word. Five hundred and seven dollars have been expended.

HARMONY.

Four Missions are reported. Six Churches were aided in securing the preached word. Commissions were appointed to organize two Churches. The sum of four hundred and seventy-five dollars were expended.

PEE DEE.

Six Churches were aided in securing the preached word, the combined membership of which is 212. Six evangelistic meetings were held. Three hundred and twenty-seven dollars and thirty-four cents were expended.

SOUTH CAROLINA.

Fifteen evangelistic meetings were held, which resulted in thirty-one additions to six Churches. One Church was organized. One building has been erected for our use by a cotton mill at a cost of sixteen thousand dollars. Eleven Churches with a combined membership of three hundred and seventy-eight have been aided and preaching kept up at three Mission points. Seven hundred and seven dollars were expended.

RESUME.

Fifty-five evangelistic meetings were held. Thirty-eight Churches were aided. Three Churches were organized. Three Church buildings erected. Fourteen Mission stations were maintained. The sum of \$8,970.39 were expended.

We would also report that the new plan of work adopted by the last Synod has been agreed to by five of the Presbyteries and we are assured that the other will take similar action at its next meeting. The new plan therefore goes into operation from this time on.

We recommend that a Superintendent and General Evangelist as provided for be elected at this time. Respectfully submitted,

G. G. MAYES, Chairman.

TREASURER'S REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

RECEIPTS.

Bethel Presbytery	\$ 736 65
Charleston Presbytery.. . . .	309 02
Enoree Presbytery.. . . .	366 24
Harmony Presbytery	251 32
Pee Dee Presbytery	665 15
South Carolina Presbytery	369 53
Synodical Collection	27 25
Macon, Georgia	10 00
Balance from last year	193 50
Total	\$2,928 66

DISBURSEMENTS.

Rev. R. G. McLees' salary and expenses	\$1,000 65
Rev. A. S. Doak, salary	249 96
Rev. W. H. Mills, salary	459 95
Rev. J. E. Wallace, salary	200 00

Rev. G. G. Mayes, salary	337 00
Office expenses	27 15
Committee meetings	35 68
Sunset Mission School	258 25
Graniteville Mission	105 00
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Total	\$2,673 64
On hand	255 02
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	\$2,928 66

BETHEL PRESBYTERY.

Mt. Olivet, \$8.00; Yorkville, \$58.00; Fort Mill, \$36.00; Clover, \$24.00; Pleasant Grove, \$19.50; Uriel, \$3.00; Lebanon, \$40.75; Smith's, \$4.00; Union, \$8.00; Aimwell, \$9.00; Ruby, \$2.00; Chesterfield, \$14.00; White Oak, \$10.30; Longtown, \$43.56; Tirzah, \$5.00; Beth Shiloh, \$15.00; Hopewell, \$2.57; Oaklawn, \$2.46; Fishing Creek, \$2.27; Rock Hill, \$53.55; Bowling Green, \$13.00; Beersheba, \$22.00; Bullock's Creek, \$11.00; Mt. Pleasant, \$3.00; Catholic, \$12.00; Allison Creek, \$7.00; Mizpah, \$4.30; Bethel, \$24.50; Purity, \$76.00; Hebron, \$10.00; Salem, \$10.00; McBee, \$1.25; Zion, \$19.00; Bethesda, \$35.00; Olivet, \$5.00; Ebenezer, \$26.00; Liberty Hill, \$31.00; Concord, \$27.00; "Unknown," Yorkville, \$3.00; Sion, \$13.27; Willing Workers, Yorkville, \$5.00; Ladies, Lebanon, \$10.00; Ladies Society, Blacksburg, \$5.00; S. S., Sion, \$2.37. Total, \$736.65.

CHARLESTON PRESBYTERY.

Westminster, \$6.85; Charleston, 2d, \$61.55; Charleston, 1st, \$60.00; Allendale, \$19.25; Columbia, 1st, \$76.37; Woodrow Memorial, \$35.00; Estill, \$50.00. Total, \$309.02.

ENOREE PRESBYTERY.

Greenville, 2d, \$9.83; Antioch, \$47.00; Pacolet, \$2.00; Clinton, \$31.45; Mountville, \$5.46; Salem, \$2.00; Spartanburg, 2d, \$13.00; Greers, \$4.50; Reedy River, \$20.00; Campobello, \$23.00; Presbytery, \$198.00; Ladies, of Greenville First, \$10.00. Total, \$366.24.

HARMONY PRESBYTERY.

Beulah, \$6.00; Georgetown, \$29.25; Richmond, \$2.55; Lynchburg, \$35.00; Pine Wood, \$1.51; Summerton, \$5.35; Mayesville, \$65.90; Union, \$6.65; Camden, \$21.40; Rosemary, \$16.50; Salem (B. R.), \$3.85; Bishopville, \$6.00; Indiantown, \$3.36; Ladies, Mayesville, \$7.00; Miss Reid, Mt. Zion, \$1.00; D. J. Winn, \$2.00; Ladies, Mt. Zion, \$40.00. Total, \$251.32.

PEE DEE PRESBYTERY.

Timmons ville, \$175.00; Hartsville, \$75.33; Kingston, \$30.83; Mul lens, \$43.00; Carolina, \$81.06; Blenheim, \$3.07; Clio, \$3.00; Reedy

Creek, \$4.90; Darlington, \$56.17; Cheraw, \$33.88; Red Bluff, \$27.41; Pee Dee, \$1.50; Ladies, Darlington, \$30.00; Ladies, Cheraw, \$90.00; Ladies, Bennettsville, \$10.00. Total, \$665.15.

SOUTH CAROLINA PRESBYTERY.

Fair Play, \$1.71; Greenville, \$8.50; Fort Hill, \$13.67; Liberty, \$8.60; Pelzer, \$7.00; Morris, \$2.15; Johnston, \$1.00; Pickens, \$4.50; Trenton, \$2.33; Anderson, Central, \$5.00; Providence, \$50.00; Abbeville, \$35.29; Good Hope, \$3.00; Long Cane, \$21.50; Greenwood, \$70.00; Central, \$4.67; Seneca, \$16.78; Flat Rock, \$2.94; Hope, 40 cents; Anderson, 1st, \$10.00; Hodges, \$7.22; Edgefield, \$5.00; Donalds, \$2.65; Williams-ton, \$51.25; Aveleigh, \$5.08; Flat Rock, \$19.95; S. S., Seneca, \$4.34; Ladies, Lebanon, \$5.00. Total, \$369.53.

Synodical collection, \$27.25. "Unknown," Macon, Ga., \$10.00.

V. Ministerial Education and Relief

The permanent Committee on Ministerial Education and Relief respectfully submits to the Synod of South Carolina its annual report.

I.

MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

(1). In the Assembly at large.

The Assembly's Committee reports 451 candidates, which is an increase of 56 over the number reported in 1908, and 96 over the reported number in 1907.

The committee at Louisville furnished aid to 268 students last year, as against 240 the year before. The amount forwarded was \$26,473.70, which was \$2,000 in excess of any amount previously paid.

The committee represents that it will have a larger number of applications this year than ever before, while the funds are lower than at any time within the past five years. The Assembly at Savannah in May, 1909, adopted a resolution calling upon the Church to undertake the raising of at least \$40,000 for this cause. Except the Church is able to secure a much larger offering than has heretofore been made, we will have to reduce the maximum amount allowed to a student from \$100, which will cause some of the candidates, it is for good reasons feared, to drop out and take up other work for a time.

The Assembly's Committee has requested the Synodical Committee to call your attention again to its provision for loans to those who prefer to receive the money as a loan rather than as a gift.

(2). Within the bounds of the Synod.

Your committee has sent out blanks to all the Presbyteries, and received reports from all save Bethel. From those reporting we find an aggregate of nineteen candidates, distributed as follows: Charleston, 7; Enoree, 5; Harmony, 4; Pee Dee, 2; South Carolina, 3. They are to be found in the following institutions of learning:

Louisville Seminary, 1; Princeton Seminary, 2; Columbia Seminary, 5; Union Seminary, 1; Davidson Collège, 5; Fredericksburg College, 1; Presbyterian College of South Carolina, 1.

Three students have dropped out of school. One gave up his studies on account of weak eyes, the other two because of lack of funds. We gather from the statistics that only two will be graduated from the Seminaries this year.

Three of last year's candidates have been licensed as probationers for the Gospel ministry.

One hundred and ninety-eight of your Churches last year contributed to the cause of ministerial education the sum of \$2,110.36. Seventy-seven Churches contributed nothing.

The attention of the Synod is called to the fact that the greatest need of the Church today is a larger number of capable ministers of the Gospel. May we not therefore pray the Lord of the harvest that He will thrust forth laborers into His harvest?

The committee earnestly calls your attention to the fact that the first Sabbath of November has been designated by the General Assembly as a "Day of prayer for youth and for presenting of the claims of the Gospel ministry."

Your attention is furthermore called to the students from our Churches in the various State institutions. Synod is urged to take such steps as may be practicable to protect and enhance the spiritual welfare of these young men of our Church. Special attention is called to the timely article by Rev. Henry M. Sweets, D. D., on the subject, "The Synods and the State Institutions of Higher Learning," which appeared in the Christian Observer under date of October 15, 1909.

From the reports of the Presbyteries we gather that special effort to turn the minds and hearts of our men to the ministry has been made by prayer, observance of the day of prayer for youth and the presenting of the claims of the Gospel ministry, distribution of tracts and books bearing on the subject, conversation in individual cases, and by urging the importance of the matter before the sessions of the Churches.

We recommend:

First, that the chairmen of the various Presbyterial committees be asked to keep in close touch with the Assembly's Committee, and to strive to bring every pastor and every Church into earnest co-operation with the committee's every plan and effort to recruit the ranks of the Lord's laborers.

Second, that Presbyterial chairmen be asked to keep in close touch with the various candidates under the care of their Presbyteries, and that they also be asked to write frequently to the candidates letters of encouragement, advice, and suggestion along all lines that they may deem important.

II.

MINISTERIAL RELIEF.

(1). In the Assembly at large.

The number of beneficiaries has grown in the Assembly till there are now enrolled 49 ministers, 145 widows, and 94 fatherless children under the age of fourteen years.

The committee was able last year to render assistance to the average of only \$145 per family, or only forty cents per day *per family*. The Savannah Assembly declared that this was "pitifully inadequate" for such noble beneficiaries.

The Assembly urges the Church to raise \$50,000 this year; \$15,000 of this will come from the interest on the endowment fund. The remaining \$35,000 must come from the Churches.

More than 1,000 Churches last year failed to contribute either to the annual or to the endowment fund.

The General Assembly unanimously adopted this resolution: "That our ruling elders be requested to present this cause to each Church in our bounds during this year, and that the Presbyterial chairman be requested to arrange for such presentation."

(2). In the Synod of South Carolina.

The Synod has contributed to this annual fund for ministerial relief through 192 Churches, ten Sabbath Schools and three societies the sum of \$1,842.40, and she has drawn out of the general fund through eighteen beneficiaries the sum of \$1,760.

We would recommend:

First, that the Presbyterial chairmen be asked to lay this cause upon the hearts and consciences of Church sessions and pastors, urging the idea that "As his part is that goeth down to the battle, so shall his part be that tarrieth by the stuff."

Second, that in obedience to the Assembly's suggestion, the Presbyterial chairmen be asked to make special effort to see that the number of non-contributing Churches, which last year was 83, be reduced.

III.

ENDOWMENT FUND FOR MINISTERIAL RELIEF.

(1). In the Assembly at large.

The endowment fund is now \$283,000. Every cent of interest from the invested funds goes to relieve the present distress of our beneficiaries.

The Assembly urges that the endowment fund be made as early as possible at least \$500,000, that it be kept before our people, and that they be especially asked to remember it in their wills.

(2). In the Synod of South Carolina.

During the last year 40 Churches and three societies contributed

the sum of \$589.65 to this cause, while the ears of the people in 255 of the Churches were totally deaf to the crying appeal of this great and worthy cause.

Respectfully submitted,
W. H. FRAZER, Chairman of Committee.

VI. Report on Publication, Sabbath Schools and Young People's Societies

I. PUBLICATION.

1. Business Department—

During the fiscal year ending March 31st, the Assembly's Committee reported the amount of business, consisting of the sale of books and periodicals at Richmond to be \$130,079, and at Texarkana, \$30.145, making a total of \$160,224. This is an increase of \$14,160. On this business the net profit was \$14,261, of which \$9,181 were appropriated to the benevolent work carried on through the committee.

These figures are sufficient to indicate the healthy and prosperous condition of the business side of the work.

2. Benevolent Work—

The benevolent feature of the committee's work is that which should be more earnestly considered by the pastors and Churches, for it is through this channel the many Mission Sabbath Schools are supported and many destitute portions of the Church supplied with new organizations which result quite often in substantial Churches. Last year 295 Sabbath Schools were thus supplied with suitable literature and periodicals from our committee. The importance of this fact is manifest when we consider that these schools enrolled over 15,000 children. Of the number of schools supplied with free literature, seventeen were within the bounds of this Synod. We are pained to note how poorly the Churches contribute to this worthy cause, both as to the number of Churches contributing and the amount. For the entire Assembly there was \$1,000 less contributed than the year previous. We are glad to report no falling off from the Churches of this Synod, though the amount has never been large.

II. SABBATH SCHOOLS.

The status of the Sabbath School work within our bounds is unchanged. There have been some special efforts made by three of the Presbyteries to increase the efficiency and interest in Sabbath Schools. To this end there were two Institutes held in Charleston Presbytery, one in Harmony and two in South Carolina. A good many of the Churches report no Sabbath Schools at all. In Bethel Presbytery there are fifteen Churches without Sabbath Schools; in Charleston, thirteen; in Harmony, nine; in Enoree, twenty-seven; in Pee Dee only four, and in South Carolina eighteen. Of course we recognize

that often such Churches are very small and without pastors and there are mitigating circumstances for these conditions, yet we are aware that the greatest effort should be made to plant and maintain a school where both the adults and the children could be studying God's word.

III. YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETIES.

Only a small percentage of our Churches have Young People's Societies and these are by no means in an efficient state nor does there seem to be any uniformity whatsoever. Your committee's attention has been called to a provisional organization known as the Westminster Federation of the Young People's Societies in the Presbyterian Churches of South Carolina. This organization is in keeping with the Assembly's recommendation and the need of our Church. We are submitting herewith a copy of the Constitution and asking that Synod approve of the same, as it is written with such amendments and suggestions it may deem wise.

Your committee would call attention of Synod to the presence of the Assembly's General Superintendent of Sabbath School Work and Young People's Societies and recommend that it be made third special order on Monday to hear Dr. Phillips on these causes.

We would also recommend that Synod hear Mr. J. M. Way, State Secretary of the Interdenominational Sunday School Association of South Carolina, on the condition of this work in this State, following the speech of Dr. Phillips.

HUGH R. MURCHISON.

VII. Report on the Bible Cause

The Permanent Committee on the Bible Cause would respectfully report as follows:

The problem at present before the American Bible Society, which conducts the great work of Bible distribution, appears to be a financial one. It has all the machinery and equipment necessary to manufacture the books of scripture which it can use in the work; and it has a system of agencies for their distribution covering well nigh the whole field at home and abroad in which it carries on its operations. But the serious and embarrassing question which has confronted it for years and still stares it in the face, is how to secure the means requisite to conduct the work with its immense and ever-increasing opportunities and demands. The Bible House in New York, which is the chief financial asset, furnishes the society a convenient and adequate home for its headquarters and its operations in this country, and also yields, through the rent of its extra space, a considerable income which goes to meet the salaries of its executive officers. It has, too, an endowment fund, the income from which is

more or less restricted, of some eight or nine hundred thousand dollars, yielding annually about \$25,000. But its chief source of support has always been its yearly receipts from legacies and the gifts of the living. The former, we all know, are very uncertain, and the latter, while increasing somewhat as the years go by, are utterly insufficient for the maintenance of the extensive and constantly expanding work.

The officers of the society have therefore looked forward with glad-some anticipation to the addition of \$1,000,000 to the endowment as projected by Mrs. Russell Sage, in the generous offer of \$500,000, provided that the society should secure an equal amount from other sources by the first of January last. Unhappily, the condition failed at the date designated, but Mrs. Sage graciously extended the time for another year, and the offer is still on. However, the amount secured is yet far short of the required sum, and the time allowed is nearing its end. So that unless there should be speedy and liberal responses, the eagerly hoped-for benefit will be lost. The special attention of the Synod is called to this matter, and contributions, large or small, from such as are able to give, are earnestly requested.

In connection with this financial view of the work, it is gratifying to report that the statistics of the last Assembly show a steady and decided advance in the contributions of our Church to this cause. They reached last year nearly \$10,000, almost double what they were a few years ago. Still, the number of non-contributing churches is far larger than that of those reporting contributions, indicating a widespread neglect of this most worthy cause.

As to our own Synod, while a few churches continue to exhibit commendable liberality in their contributions to the Bible cause, the large majority still report no contribution at all; and both the number of contributing churches and the aggregate amount reported from the Synod fall somewhat short of last year's statement. We regret to note this indication of a backward movement.

We hardly need to add that, through the wonderful progress of missions and the breaking down of old systems of civil government which were set against the dissemination of the scriptures, the open doors in the foreign field have been opened wider and wider for the entrance of God's word, and the opportunities for its circulation are increasingly inviting.

And, in our own land, despite all the assaults upon the Bible, both inside and outside the organized church, the demand for it is larger than ever and its circulation at home is steadily increasing. This is shown by the statement of the American Bible Society in its last annual report, as follows: "In 1905 the number of volumes of English scriptures issued from the Bible House was 661,122, and in the year ending March 31, 1909, the number was 823,700."

And that God is everywhere owning and blessing His word, which He sends out, there is evidence abundant.

We therefore once more heartily commend this work to the liberal support of all our people.

In behalf of the committee,

THOS. H. LAW, Chairman.

VIII. Report on Colored Evangelization

There are three departments of this work—

I. *The Educational*—Comprising foremost of all the Stillman Institute at Tuscaloosa, Ala., maintained for the purpose of providing a godly and trained ministry as leaders of the race. It would be difficult to exaggerate the importance of this institution or to over-estimate its value.

The register shows an attendance last year of fifty students in the undergraduate departments and one graduate student.

In addition to Stillman Institute there are other affiliated schools associated with our General Assembly's work and sustained in whole or in part by the General Assembly's Committee, such as the Ferguson-Williams College at Abbeville, S. C.

These schools are doing very valuable service; they need and they deserve the cordial and liberal support of our church. The institution at Abbeville has peculiar claims upon this Synod, particularly as it now faces a crisis in which not less than \$10,000 will be required to give it a sure and stable position and qualify it for wide and permanent usefulness.

II. *Mission Work*—The second department is that of mission work among the colored people conducted by *white* missionaries.

A pre-eminent instance, and a signal illustration, is furnished by the great work in Louisville, Ky., conducted by the Rev. John Little. What he is doing for this race in Kentucky's chief city could be done in many places in our Southern country, where the field is even more ample and the need equally urgent.

There are here and there, scattered over our country, mission Sabbath Schools for the colored people which serve simply as indications of what might be done wherever our people have the eye to see, the heart to feel, and the grace to supply the urgent need of this helpless race.

III. *Sustentation Work*—The third department is the sustentation of what is known as the *Afro-American Presbyterian Church*. This is the body set apart by our church a few years ago and promised our continued and cordial support. According to latest reports this body consists of 55 ministers, 72 churches and 2,253 communicants. It is utterly helpless alone, and its success depends absolutely upon our being true to our promise of co-operation and support.

FINANCIAL.

During the last year the Synod of South Carolina contributed in all a total of \$1,347.49 to this cause. This is an average of about five cents per member for the entire year for all departments of this great and needy work! One hundred and nine churches are reported as contributing; according to this statement there are at least one-half of our churches which make absolutely no contribution whatever. If these figures be accurate, there must be urgent need of an awakening of conscience on the part of pastors and sessions to the claims and the needs of this cause.

Your committee closes its report by calling the Synod's prayerful attention to the following resolutions, adopted by the General Assembly in its latest session:

1. That the Assembly hereby calls on the churches to contribute during the coming year at least twenty-five cents per member for this cause. We urge our church sessions to present this matter clearly to the people, and that our ministers again be requested to present the needs of this missionary work to their congregations.

2. That our ministers preach to the negroes as opportunities offer, and that efforts be made, where practicable, to organize Sabbath Schools among them, or to provide teachers in the Sunday School of colored churches.

3. We urge this great field of Domestic Missions upon the attention of our ladies' societies and unions, and recommend that they give its consideration a place upon their programs, and as far as possible they hear our secretary on the subject.

Respectfully submitted,

SAMUEL M. SMITH.

IX. Report on Schools and Colleges

The Permanent Committee on Schools and Colleges would beg to submit the following report:

I. AS TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY'S BRANCH OF THE WORK.

The repeated efforts of the Assembly and the Assembly's Executive Committee to secure a secretary for this cause resulted in failure and disappointment, until the election by the Savannah Assembly of the Rev. W. E. Boggs, D. D. Though the committee was well organized and the labors of the chairman and those associated with him were untiring and efficient, yet the vacancy of the secretaryship was a very great hindrance to the progress of the work.

The contributions to the Assembly's committee during the year amounted to \$2,797.33. Of this \$1,031.64 were disbursed for expenses and appropriations, which left a balance in the treasury of \$2,145.50.

The election of Dr. Boggs to the secretaryship has filled that vacancy

and given an impulse to the cause. Dr. Boggs has entered vigorously upon the duties of the position, and we hope for great results during the current year. We cordially commend him and his work to our ministers, churches and Presbyteries.

The Assembly pledged itself to maintain a system of education which is Presbyterian in control and positively Christian in character, and it declared its purpose to place this system of Church schools upon the widest possible basis of material equipment. Hence, it "laid it as a solemn duty upon the hearts of all of our people to pour their gifts into the treasury that our Church schools may be endowed in the most liberal manner."

Two annual collections were authorized—one to be taken in September for the Assembly's committee, and the other in June for the Synod's committee.

II. AS TO THE SYNOD'S BRANCH OF THE WORK.

I. Our Institutions.—Davidson College has opened another prosperous session. A new dormitory was erected and other improvements made during the summer. The enrollment is large, and the year promises encouraging results. An effort is now being made to raise an additional endowment of \$300,000. We trust that this effort will be crowned with success.

The Presbyterian College of South Carolina has begun the present year with no increase in the number of students, which may be due to the fact that the Board of Trustees discontinued the High School department and also excluded young lady matriculants under 17 years of age. The college has a splendid, up-to-date plant, consisting of 8 buildings and 33 acres of land. The plant and endowment are now worth approximately \$136,000, on which there is an indebtedness of about \$18,000, which will be met in part by subscription notes not yet matured. This is an encouraging showing, when you consider that at the time the Synod secured the absolute ownership and control of the college, five years ago, its value was estimated at about \$20,000.

The institution maintains a literary standard which is the equivalent of the standards of the highest and best colleges for men in the State, and has a faculty and an equipment in material property adequate for successful and efficient instruction. Our people need have no hesitation in sending their sons there.

Chicora College is growing rapidly. The number of boarding pupils enrolled this year is nearly twice the enrollment of three years ago. Large and substantial improvements were made the past summer, adding 27 dormitory rooms and several studios for art, expression and music. The building is now probably the handsomest in the city of Greenville. Notwithstanding the enlargement, the dormitories are taxed to accommodate the pupils. The plant is worth approximately

\$105,000, and the college, in standard and equipment, is abreast of the best colleges for women in the State.

III. THE TREASURER'S REPORT.

This report is discouraging. Your committee decided that \$5,000 would not be too large an amount to ask the churches to contribute to this cause. The Methodists assessed their churches \$15,000 for this work, and the Baptists asked their people for about \$7,000. Literature was prepared and mailed to our ministers for use and distribution, and an appeal made to our people. The result was the receipt of only \$511.09—just about 10 per cent. of the amount asked for and apportioned.

IV. AS TO THE GENERAL CAUSE OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION.

We suppose that never in the history of the Church and country has the importance of education been given so much prominence and been so much stressed. The State and philanthropists are awake to the situation and persistent in their efforts. When our commonwealths, national periodicals and great daily newspapers give a subject a place of first importance among the affairs of State and society, it must be true that it belongs there. Only yesterday did one of our daily papers begin a leading editorial with this sentence: "The educator—the real educator of youth—is the most important and significant member of our civilized community." The schoolroom is one of the greatest centers of influence in the entire social body. It is the strategic point in the conflict for the highest well-being of the individual and of the community.

If this be true (and who will doubt it?) then into what magnitude does this great cause grow when education assumes the character of Christianity? Indeed, it is true that purely non-Christian education, while civilizing, may nevertheless prove itself a curse. Hence the supreme necessity for the right kind of education—an education in morals and religion. The influences which go to make up a man's true life cannot be some good and some bad without serious results. Educate the physical and mental man and neglect the moral and spiritual and your education will prove a curse. There is but one true system of morals and religion, and that is contained in the Bible. Every child and youth should therefore be instructed in the scriptures and given a Christian education. Hence the necessity for Christian schools and colleges. Let us be not unconscious, our brethren, of the fact that much of the education of today is non-Christian; yea, more, that many of the advocates and generous supporters of the present educational systems and agencies are positively antagonistic to Christian education, and the antagonism is, in some quarters, persistently active.

The importance of the cause of Christian education does not arise

from the personal and social advantages only, but this cause is largely fundamental to the other benevolent causes of our church. Every department of Church work is calling for men and women for efficient service. These servants of the Kingdom must be prepared. And where are they to receive the adequate preparation? To this question the answer of facts is unequivocal and emphatic, and is: They are to receive it in Church schools and colleges, and in these only; for here only is a Christian education given.

Now, inasmuch as the church and the world so much need a Christian education, we recommend:

1. That this Synod solemnly lay the importance of this cause upon the hearts of its members and upon its churches.
2. That the Synod undertake to raise this year in the June collections the sum of \$5,000 for its own institutions.
3. That the representatives of the colleges and the Secretary of the Assembly be heard by the Synod Monday, the fourth order of the day.

Respectfully,

S. C. BYRD, Chairman.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

S. C. Byrd, Treasurer, in account with the cause of schools and colleges in Synod of South Carolina.

BETHEL.

Yorkville, \$35.00; Fort Mill, \$30.00; Mt. Olivet, \$6.00; Bullock's Creek, \$16.00; Bethel, \$5.00; Catholic, \$10.00; Olivet, \$11.00; Aimwell, \$4.00; Concord, \$24.00; Sion (\$14.25 to Chicora), \$24.45; Liberty Hill, \$1.43; Lancaster, \$23.40; Union, \$6.00; Hebron, \$6.00; Longtown, \$5.00; Fishing Creek, \$2.00; Hopewell, \$1.00; Oakland, \$3.00. Total, \$213.28.

CHARLESTON PRESBYTERY.

Edsto Island, \$10.00; Walterboro, \$5.00; James Island, \$5.00; First Church, Charleston, \$17.00; First Church, Columbia, \$30.72; Edisto Island, \$2.89. Total, \$70.61.

ENOREE PRESBYTERY.

First Church, Greenville, \$25.00; Rocky Springs, \$1.79; First Church, Clinton, \$8.82; Liberty Springs, \$3.00; First Church Union, \$5.30; Fountain Inn, \$1.32; Shady Grove, \$1.20; Rock Bridge, \$1.20; Duncans Creek, 85 cents; New Harmony, \$2.00; Mountville, \$1.20; First, Spartanburg, \$24.80; Woodruff, \$3.77; Second, Spartanburg, \$1.00; Fountain Inn, \$1.21; Second Church, Greenville \$1.25. Total \$83.71.

HARMONY PRESBYTERY.

Sumter, \$3.00; Summerton, \$2.78; Tirzah, \$3.35; Mayesville, \$12.02; Salem Sunday School and Church, \$3.80; Indian Town \$2.00; Hebron, \$1.46. Total, \$28.41.

PEE DEE PRESBYTERY.

Bennettsville, \$8.67; Darlington, \$15.00; Cheraw, \$11.44; Red Bluff, \$4.90; Carolina, \$5.00; Hamer, \$1.40; Kentyre, \$2.25; Total, \$48.66.

SOUTH CAROLINA, PRESBYTERY.

Aveleigh, \$4.97; Greenwood (Chicora special), \$25.00; Seneca, \$7.66; Flat Rock, \$1.08; Hope, 50 cents; Pendleton, \$6.30; First Church, Anderson, \$10.00; Aveleigh, \$7.42; Upper Long Cane, \$11.50; Willington, \$3.00. Total, \$77.43.

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Bethel	\$ 213 28	
Charleston	70 61	
Enoree	83 71	
Harmony	28 41	
Pee Dee	48 66	
South Carolina	77 43	
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Expense account		\$ 30 00
Presbyterian College of South Carolina		257 05
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Rev. Dr. Robert Adams, President of the Presbyterian College of South Carolina, has received the following amounts:

From Churches—First, Columbia, \$26.04; Ebenezer, \$17.00; Mount Calvary, \$3.58; Arsenal Hill, \$6.90; Bethia, 80 cents; First Church, Rock Hill, \$11.35; Bowling Green, \$10.00. Total, \$75.67.

From Societies—Westminster Church, Charleston, \$80.00; First Church, Union, \$7.50; First Church, Charleston, \$40.00; Pelzer Church, \$20.00; Honea Path Church, \$7.00; Greenwood Church, \$23.65; Ninety-Six Church, \$5.00; Red Bluff Church, \$10.00; First, Laurens, \$40.00; Florence Church, \$20.00; Lancaster Church, \$20.00; Lickville Church, \$5.00; Nazareth Church, \$10.00; Aiken Church, \$5.00; Aveleigh Church, \$10.00; Antioch Church, \$8.00. Total, \$311.15.

X. Report of Columbia Theological Seminary

(1). Under the blessing of God the work of the institution has gone on with regularity and most satisfactorily.

(2). The faculty report shows an enrollment of twenty-seven students, a gain of two over that of the former year, and distributed as follows: Senior class, 11; Middle class, eight; Junior class, seven, and special, one. Diplomas conferring the degree of Bachelor of Divinity were awarded to Joseph C. McPheeters, Joseph E. Wallace,

Geo. Marshall Wilcox and Chas. B. Yeargan. Certificates of having completed certain parts of the course of study were awarded to Thomas Bateman, Joseph Benjamin, Jesse Edward Coker, Robert Grant, Geo. M. Hollingsworth, Ernest H. Norwood, Frederick B. Smith.

(3). During the year the faculty and students were favored by special lectures from Rev. Homer McMillan, S. H. Chester, D. D., E. O. Guarrant, D. D., Rev. L. O. McCutchen, of Korea, S. R. Gammon, D. D.

(4). The books and accounts of the Treasurer have been neatly and correctly kept and the character and condition of the assets bear abundant testimony to the prudence, fidelity, conservation and painstaking care of the Investing Committee.

(5). The services of Rev. Dr. W. E. McIlwain have been secured as Financial Agent for the Institution, and he is most affectionately commended to the confidence and liberality of all friends of the Seminary.

(6). This venerable school of the prophets rejoices in the spirit of enlarged enterprise and we rejoice to believe has entered upon a most active and successful era.

B. P. REID,

Secretary of Board of Directors.

XI. Report of Thornwell Orphanage

To the Moderator and Members of the Synod of South Carolina.

Honored Brethren: It is with sincerest pleasure that we report to you the continued prosperity of the Thornwell Orphanage, the institution for the maintenance and support of orphans under your care.

The most important events in the year's experience of the institution were, *first*, the securing of its passage through the legislature of South Carolina, of the charter approved by you at your last session. You will note, that under this charter, the name *Board of Visitors* was dropped and that your appointees bear the title of *Board of Trustees*, a less misleading name and which clearly indicates the rights and duties of the appointees. *Again*, by the approval of the Board of Trustees and of the session of the First Presbyterian Church, all of the pupils, teachers and matrons of the Thornwell Home and School were organized into a Presbyterian Church, in connection with the Presbytery of Enoree, now known as the Thornwell Memorial Church. It consists of two elders, two deacons and 176 members. Rev. Dr. Jacobs has been installed as pastor with the consent of the First Church and preaches once every Sunday and also on Thursday night, and conducts the regular daily morning service for the whole institution.

The school work for the last year was a great success. Eight students were graduated at the close of the session and twelve others were honorably dismissed by the request of the pupils themselves or of relatives. Vocal music and sight-singing is now taught; a ninth grade, prior to entry upon the collegiate department, has been organized, making thirteen years necessary to complete the course.

Among the improvements of the year, has been the installing in the Thornwell Memorial Church, of a pipe organ, *the gift of friends*, at a cost of \$900; and also the addition of sliding sash under the galleries for the separation of the Sabbath School classes. The Museum and Library have both received interesting additions. A conservatory 15x40 feet has been built of pressed concrete blocks, all of the woodwork and sash having been made by our boys, and the blocks made by our own workmen. Several cottages were repainted inside and out. Several hundred dollars worth of machinery has been installed in the shoe-shop, and all shoes needed were made, and much work was also done for the outside public. Under the leadership of one of our own boys, all the cottages have had electric lights installed, taking power from the city plant. A large annex, 70x20, was built, also of concrete blocks as a stock room for material used in the Technical School. A large and convenient barn and silo were built on the farm. And last but not least, a handsome summer cottage home, prettily finished, was erected for the boys of the home as their outing place on Enoree river, the work being wholly done by one of our boys and paid for by the alumni of the institution. There were also many smaller improvements. The foundations of a new cottage for boys has been laid, but \$2,000 will be needed for its completion, for which we look hopefully to the loving God to put it into some one's heart to furnish that sum.

Our endowment has been increased by the sum of \$4,445.86, three-fourths of this being from legacies. For many years the Sabbath School of Christianburg, Va., has been giving annually \$600 to this fund.

At the opening of the last year, September, 1908, we did not have a dollar in the treasury. We are grateful to be able to report that we begin the new fiscal year with \$1,000 in the treasury, which materially lifted the home out of all anxieties and gave us good hope for the future. Two hundred and eighty-one children were under our care and for these \$28,489.74 was received, and \$27,486.20 expended. Let us thank God for His wonderful mercies to this home.

At the last meeting of the Board of Visitors, action was taken ordering the treasurer to pay a salary to the president of this board, whether he would receive it or not. He, however, again declined to receive any salary to be paid out of the money raised for the institution, through his labors or without special knowledge by the donors of

the direction it was to take when given. The Board thereupon instructed its executive committee to engage an assistant for the president and to commission him to raise \$25,000, as the foundation for the president's chair. The committee engaged the Rev. J. B. Branch, a former pupil of the institution, to do this work and also appointed him assistant to the president. It was agreed by the president, only so far that Mr. Branch should begin his work at once, but that no income from funds raised by him should be paid to the present president so long as he remains pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, all income to be added to the principal so as to make the sum desired.

Now, brethren, praying that your contributions to the orphans at Thanksgiving or some Sabbath following, may be liberal; and gratefully appreciating your love and zeal for the care of these orphans, I am yours

In behalf of the Board of Trustees,

W. P. JACOBS.

XII. Memorial

REV. JOHN LOWRIE WILSON, D. D.

John Lowrie Wilson was born in 1839 at Allahabad, India, where his parents, the Rev. James and Elizabeth G. Wilson, were living as missionaries. He left that country while still a boy; but India had made a lasting impression upon his mind and heart. He never forgot what he called "My first call to preach," made by his little Indian companions, as they followed him down to the ship on his departure, asking him to return and preach the gospel to them—a call to which he would doubtless have responded had not a wound received in battle incapacitated him for foreign service.

Some time after coming to this country, Dr. Wilson entered South Hanover College, Indiana. Later we find him in East Tennessee University, Knoxville, and from there he went to the Presbyterian University at Clarksville. During his graduating year the war between the States broke out, and Dr. Wilson volunteered with Bushrod Johnson's Tennessee brigade. He was elected first lieutenant and served continuously until at the battle of Drury's Bluff he lost a foot, and the gallant soldier had to lay down his arms.

Dr. Wilson became a professing Christian in 1857. He entered Columbia Theological Seminary in 1866, was licensed and ordained by Bethel Presbytery in 1869, and at the same time installed pastor of Behesda Church, in York county. On his leaving the hospital, no longer able to serve his country in the army, he had come to South Carolina and at this church had taught school until he entered the Seminary. The gallant soldier was now enlisted again in the service of the Prince of Peace.

This pastorate lasted for sixteen years, till 1885, when he accepted

a call to the church at Abbeville, S. C. These years were characterized by labors abundant and wise on his part, a large measure of real success, and by an almost unboudned mutual esteem between pastor and people.

Coming to Abbeville, this same power to grip people soon manifested itself, and ties were speedily formed that only death could break. Here his preaching was strong, his life beautiful, and his influence great. He had the support and affection of his own people and the unbounded respect of the community as a whole.

In 1886 Davidson College conferred upon him the degree of Doctor of Divinity.

On July 4, 1909, Dr. Wilson, apparently in his usual strength, preached and administered the communion service to his people, and announced the usual evening service. About 3 o'clock in the afternoon he became quite ill, and lingered till sunset Friday, the 9th, when his spirit went to God. The funeral service was held in the church the following Sabbath, and his body was laid to rest in Upper Long Cane cemetery, after he had been pastor at Abbeville for twenty-three years.

He was a lovable man, a popular preacher, and a beloved pastor. He was ardently patriotic, a strong Southerner, a loyal soldier of his country and of the cross. He was a conservative theologian, an evangelistic pastor, a leading Presbyterian, a noble Christian, and a delightful friend.

The soldier has laid by forever the weapons of conflict and gone to dwell in the glory land of eternal peace.

F. W. GREGG, Chairman.

STATISTICAL REPORTS OF PRESBYTERIES.

NOTE.—An asterisk (*) after the name of a church indicates that it owns a manse; P. is for Pastor; S. S. for Stated Supply; Ev. for Evangelist; Ed. for Editor; D. M. or H. M. for Domestic or Home Missionary; T. for Teacher; Inf. for Infirm. Other abbreviations will be readily recognized.

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M. R. Kirkpatrick, P	Seneca, S. S.	6	5	14	19	146	5	13	45	17	107	112	35	56	6	35	53	31	8	10	720	493	---
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